

BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 152

Served June 8, 1962

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of D. C. Transit)
System, Inc., for Temporary)
Authority to Inaugurate the)
Prince George's Express,)
Route G-7)

Application 205

D. C. Transit System, Inc., has filed an application for temporary authority to operate an express bus service between the Highview Apartments (Prince George's County, Maryland) and the State Department (21st Street and Virginia Avenue, N.W., D. C.) for an experimental period of ninety (90) days, commencing June 18, 1962, over the following route:

A. M., Southbound

From Highview Drive, at the foot of the incline, south on Highview Drive, easterly on Dean Drive, south on Northwest Drive, east on Toledo Terrace, south on Belcrest Road, west on Ring Road (Toledo Road), southerly on Toledo Terrace, east on East-West Highway, southerly on Queensbury Road, westerly on Queens Chapel Road to the Md.-D. C. Line, and thence continue on Michigan Avenue, south on 4th Street, westerly on Rhode Island Avenue, south on 6th Street, N.W., west on Constitution Avenue, north on 22nd Street, east on C Street, and north on 21st Street to Virginia Avenue.

NOTE: Stops will be made at authorized bus stops in Maryland for boarding passengers and at authorized bus stops in the District of Columbia, between 6th Street and Massachusetts Avenue and 21st Street and Virginia Avenue, N.W., for alighting passengers.

P. M., Northbound

From 21st Street and Virginia Avenue, N.W., south on 21st Street, west on C Street, south on 22nd Street, east on

Constitution Avenue, north on 6th Street, N.W., easterly on Rhode Island Avenue, east on V Street, north on 4th Street, easterly on Michigan Avenue to the D. C.-Md. Line, and thence continue on Queens Chapel Road, northerly on Queensbury Road, west on East-West Highway, northerly on Toledo Terrace, east on Ring Road (Toledo Road), north on Belcrest Road, west on Toledo Terrace, north on Northwest Drive, westerly on Dean Drive and north on Highview Drive to the terminal stand located on the east side, south of the turn at the foot of the incline.

NOTE: Stops will be made at authorized bus stops in the District of Columbia between 21st Street and Virginia Avenue and 6th Street and Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., for boarding passengers and at authorized bus stops in Maryland for alighting passengers.

This service will provide express operations with closed doors between the Maryland-D. C. Line and 6th Street-Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. No stops will be made in this section of the route for boarding or alighting passengers. The route will carry no local passengers within Maryland or the District of Columbia.

The applicant has filed a tariff providing for a rate of fare which is the same as the established express service rate on its interstate lines between points and places in Prince George's County, Maryland, and points and places within the District of Columbia, and is set forth in more detail in the application.

This service will be provided weekdays only, Monday through Friday, except holidays.

No additional equipment is proposed and the applicant will utilize its regularly licensed buses. The service to be provided covers an area in Prince George's County, Maryland, for which the applicant is authorized to operate, and is not in competition with any other mass transit carrier.

The General Services Administration has requested this Commission to authorize the applicant to initiate this service on a trial basis. The request was based on a survey which showed that a large number of government employees had indicated utilizing direct service public transportation from this area.

The Commission is of the opinion that the temporary authority sought to operate this experimental service should be authorized, and that a public hearing on this matter is not required.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that D. C. Transit System, Inc., be, and it is hereby, authorized to operate the express service hereinabove described for a period of ninety (90) days, commencing June 18, 1962, to determine if said service is economically justifiable.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Delmer Ison", written in dark ink.

DELMER ISON
Executive Director